

The Calvin Ball Bulletin

Legislation Edition: February 2015



Want to lend your voice to local and state legislation? This newsletter highlights bills currently under consideration by the County Council and the Howard County Delegation when the Maryland General



Assembly is in session. Listed below, you will find copies of those bills where available. To promote an engaged citizenry, I encourage you to review this information and share your comments on Council bills by submitting testimony to

councilmail@howardcountymd.gov. Testimony may also be submitted in person during the Council's Public Hearing, generally held the 3rd Monday of each month. To sign-up in advance to testify, click [here](#).

For your convenience, I've included legislation under consideration by the Delegation. For details, please contact **Dan Furman** at **410-841-3360** or email hoc1@mlis.state.md.us.

I hope you find this informative and use this opportunity to become an integral part of our legislative process.

INTRODUCTIONS

All current Council legislation can be found [online](#). All Prefiled legislation can be found online by [clicking here](#).

APPOINTMENTS

CR3-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Angela M. Boyter to the Commission on Aging.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR4-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jill M. Bussey to the Advisory Board on Consumer Affairs.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR5-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Nicole Czarnecki to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR6-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joanne Drielak to the Public Ethics Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR7-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Thomas Paxton to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR8-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bruno V. Reich to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR9-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Chinwe Calista Adetula to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR10-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Richard J. Bergin to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR11-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Jane O'Leary to the Board to Promote Self Sufficiency.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR12-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Pastor Donald M. Poole to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR13-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Dorothy Ruck to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR14-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joan Webb Scornaienchi to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Advisory Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINANCIAL

SAO5-FY2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$50,000 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of County Administration, Office of Transportation for the Electric Bus Grant.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CB3-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT, reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; changing the name of the Office of Environmental Sustainability; amending the qualifications of the Office administrator; amending the duties and responsibilities of the Office; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB4-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT, reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; amending certain definitions; providing that the County Executive shall designate the Executive Secretary of the Human Rights Commission; amending the number of times per year the Commission is required to meet; requiring that the Commission perform certain outreach and education activities; making certain corrections to conform to the State's Open Meetings Act; removing the requirement that the Human Rights Administrator serve as the Executive Secretary to the Human Rights Commission; correcting cross references; clarifying certain language; clarifying certain standards of review to ensure consistency; clarifying that only ripe cases may proceed; clarifying certain actions taken by County Employees; clarifying certain notice and nonexclusive remedy provisions; requiring certain reports; authorizing certain corrections to outlining style; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR15-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson

A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on specified dates.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR16-2015

Introduced by: Calvin Ball, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa, and Jon Weinstein

A RESOLUTION requesting that the Howard County Police Department's Citizen Advisory Council establish a Committee on Community Policing and make recommendations related to community policing.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR17-2015

Introduced by: Jon Weinstein and Mary Kay Sigaty

A RESOLUTION endorsing the Howard County Office of Emergency Management's application with the Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, Community Development Block Grant Program, in the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for certain grants under the National Disaster Resilience Competition in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB5-2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson

AN ACT to alter the definition of "employee" for purposes of the Howard County Public Ethics Law; to exclude certain mutual funds from the definition of "interest"; to clarify the retention period for certain filings; providing that certain subpoenas may be sent by certified mail and may be judicially enforced; eliminating a requirement that a request be made before a certain notice is provided; making technical corrections; and generally relating to the Howard County Public Ethics Law.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB6-2015

Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty

Co-sponsored by: Dr. Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa, and Jon Weinstein

AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to clarify that the Department of Planning and Zoning is required to send their technical staff reports for any petitions considered by the Zoning Board, County Council, Planning Board, Hearing Examiner, or Board of Appeals to the appropriate decision making body and the general public at least two weeks prior to the required public hearing or meeting; generally related to the Department of Planning and Zoning's technical staff reports.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINAL CONSIDERATION

FINANCIAL

SAO2-FY2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring a total of \$400,000 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for grants to assist in improving enhanced nutrient removal performance levels.

Final Action:

Votes:

SAO3-FY2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$32,530 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Corrections for the Safe Streets grant that will provide reentry services for inmates returning to the community.

Final Action:

Votes:

SAO4-FY2015

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$19,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the State's Attorney's Office for increased costs due to new requirements that an attorney be available for initial bond hearings.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB1-2015

Introduced by: The Chairman at the request of the County Executive

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$100,000,000 consolidated public improvement bonds and up to \$50,000,000 metropolitan district bonds, pursuant to various bond enabling laws; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve the final principal amounts, maturity schedules, interest rates and redemption provisions for such bonds, and other matters, details, forms, documents or procedures and to determine the method of sale of such bonds; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and for the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR1-2015

Introduced by: The Chairman at the request of the Board of Education

A RESOLUTION approving the transfer of a total of \$4,036,000 between capital projects in the Board of Education capital budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB2-2015

Introduced by: The Chairman at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$3,263,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of various capital projects, more particularly described in the County's 2015 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CR2-2015

Introduced by: Council Member, Calvin Ball

A RESOLUTION approving Phase 1 of the Urban Renewal Plan for the urban renewal project initiated for the Long Reach Village Center by County Council Resolution No. 22-2014; identifying the authorized actions in Phase 1; and providing that the actions authorized are in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

THE PROCESS

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday - Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday - Legislative work session, if needed
- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Unless otherwise noted, the County Council will hold its meetings in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD.

The next meetings are as follows:

- Monday, February 2, 2015 at 7:30pm: Legislative Session
- Monday, February 9, 2015 at 8:30am: Monthly Meeting in the CVG Room
- Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 7:30pm: Legislative Public
- Monday, February 23, 2015 at 4:30pm: Legislative Work Session
- Monday, March 2, 2015 at 7:30pm: Legislative Session
- Monday, March 9, 2015 at 8:30am: Monthly meeting in C. Vernon Gray Room
- Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 8:30am: Quarterly meeting with the Board of Education
- Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at 7:30pm: Legislative Public Hearing
- Monday, March 23, 2015 at 4:30pm: Legislative Work Session

* Please note these dates are subject to change. To access the most up-to-date calendar of meetings, click [here](#).

Can't attend a meeting but still want to stay involved? You can stream the Council's sessions [online](#) and click on the meeting you would like to watch. The Council's sessions are also streamed in real time on this website.



Howard County State Delegation Legislation

A special thank you to Senator James Robey and Delegates Elizabeth Bobo, Steve DeBoy, and James Malone for their many years of service to our Howard County residents. I appreciate your hard work to make Howard County and Maryland a better place to live and extend my best wishes as you continue on to your next chapter in life.

Also, congratulations to our newly elected Delegation: Senator Gail Bates (former Delegate), Senator Guy Guzzone (former Delegate), Senator Ed Kasemeyer and Delegates Vanessa Atterbeary, Eric Ebersole, Bob Flanagan, Terri Hill, Trent Kittleman, Clarence Lam, Warren Miller, Shane Pendergrass, and Frank Turner. Best wishes as you begin, or for those returning – continue, the hard work of fighting for the values we hold true in Howard County. We're excited at the possibilities the new session may bring.

The 2015 legislative session will begin on January 14, 2015. For your convenience, I have shared an update of the delegation bills that will be introduced below. For further information, contact **Dan Furman** at the Howard County Delegation Office at **410-841-3360** or email hoc1@mlis.state.md.us

Ho.Co. 2-15 – Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Environmental Education Center Renovation and Expansion

Introduced by Howard County Senators

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 3-15 – Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Harriet Tubman Center

Introduced by Delegate Frank Turner

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Ho.Co. 4-15 – Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food Bank Facility

Introduced by Senator Guy Guzzone

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Action Council of Howard County, Maryland, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 5-15 – Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Special Event – Education Permits

Introduced by Delegate Warren Miller

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Howard County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special event – education beer and wine tasting alcoholic beverages permit and a special event – education beer, wine, and liquor tasting alcoholic beverages permit; specifying that a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may be issued to a holder of a certain alcoholic beverages license; specifying that a holder of a special event – education alcoholic beverages permit authorized under this Act may provide from the holder's inventory certain alcoholic beverages to a consumer who has preregistered for a certain event, subject to certain limitations; specifying a permit fee; authorizing the Board to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Howard County.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 6-15 – Howard County – Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board – Compensation

Introduced by Senator Guy Guzzone

FOR the purpose of providing that the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board shall be the amount set by the Howard County Council; and generally relating to the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 7-15 – Howard County – Casino Events – Authorized

Introduced by Delegate Warren Miller

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain organizations to hold certain casino events in Howard County at certain intervals of time; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits before operating a casino event; requiring the Howard County Executive to forward a recommendation to the Howard County Council concerning the fee to be charged for a permit; requiring the County Council to adopt by resolution the amount of the permit fee; specifying the types of organizations eligible to conduct a casino event; requiring a permit holder for a casino event to ensure that certain standards are met; prohibiting a permit holder from offering cumulative prizes in excess of a certain amount; specifying certain prohibited acts and reporting requirements for a permit holder for a casino event; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations governing casino events; altering in Howard County the application of certain general provisions of law governing gaming in the State; establishing certain exceptions to prohibitions against conducting a casino event or operating or awarding prizes using certain gaming devices; defining a certain term; and generally relating to casino events in Howard County.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 8-15 – Howard County – Insurance – Certificates of Guarantee for County Bond Requirements

Introduced by Senator Guy Guzzone

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Howard County to honor certificates of guarantee that are issued by certain associations or their wholly owned subsidiaries on behalf of certain contractors for the purpose of satisfying certain county bond requirements; providing that Howard County is not required under certain provisions of law to honor certain certificates of guarantee; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to Howard County and certificates of guarantee

. Delegation Vote = Tabled

Ho.Co. 9-15 – Howard County – Howard County – Howard County Historical Society Roof Repair

Introduced by Senator James Robey

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$35,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Historical Society, Incorporated for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 10-15 – Creation of a State Debt - Howard County – Historic Clover Hill Farm Restoration

Introduced by Senator Guy Guzzone

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to for the design, construction and restoration/rehabilitation of the 1,850 square foot Clover Hill Farm House, located within Rockburn Branch Park in Elkridge.

Delegation Vote = Passed

Ho.Co. 11-15 – Howard County – County Income Tax – Maximum Rate

Introduced by Delegate Warren Miller

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum rate for the county income tax that Howard County may set for certain taxable years; repealing obsolete language; and generally relating to the county income tax.

Delegation Vote = Tabled

HC Delegation hosted a Work Session on January 21 at 9am in LHOB Rm 318 on the following bills:

Ho.Co. 2-15, Ho.Co. 4-15, Ho.Co. 5-15, Ho.Co. 6-15, Ho.Co. 7-15, Ho.Co. 8-15, Ho.Co. 9-15, Ho.Co. 10-15, Ho.Co. 11-15



Maryland State General Assembly Legislation

[House Bill 28](#)

Primary and Secondary Education - Security - School Resource Officers

Introduced by: Delegate Cluster

Requiring that at least one school resource officer be assigned to each public school in the State; requiring specified public schools to hire retired law enforcement officers as school resource officers for the school; requiring specified school resource officers to obtain a special police officer commission issued by the Department of State Police; requiring the county superintendent to submit an application to the Secretary of State Police for a special police commission for each school resource officer hired; etc.

Status: In the House - Hearing 1/28 at 2:15 p.m.

[House Bill 43](#)

Election Law - Petitions - Prohibited Actions

Introduced by: Delegate Rosenberg

Prohibiting a person from willfully and knowingly preventing, hindering, or delaying a person who has a lawful right to sign a petition from signing a petition through the use of fraud, duress, or force.

Status: In the House - First Reading Ways and Means

[House Bill 44](#)

Special Education - Translations of Individualized Education Programs or Individualized Family Service Plans - Native Language

Introduced by: Delegate Luedtke

Authorizing the parents of a child with a disability to request the translation into their native language of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan; and requiring specified school personnel to provide the parents with a translation of a completed individualized education program or a completed individualized family service plan within 30 days after the date of the request.

Status: In the House - First Reading Ways and Means

[House Bill 51/ Senate Bill 66](#)

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund - Funding

Introduced by: Chair, Judiciary Committee

Increasing from \$20 to \$40 the amount of the surcharge on specified recordable instruments that the State Court Administrator is required to establish for the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

Status: In the House - First Reading Judiciary

[House Bill 54/ Senate Bill 64](#)

Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund – Funding

Introduced by: Chair, Judiciary Committee

Requiring the State Court Administrator to assess a surcharge on specified fees, charges, and costs in specified cases in the Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals, and circuit courts; requiring the Chief Judge of the District Court to assess a surcharge in specified civil cases that may not be more than \$3 per summary ejectment case and \$8 per case for specified civil cases; and requiring the surcharges to be deposited in the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

Status: In the House - First Reading Judiciary

[House Bill 65](#)

Education - Maintenance of Effort - Lease Payment Exclusion

Introduced by: Delegate Vitale

Authorizing specified county governing bodies to exclude specified lease payments made by a county board of education from the maintenance of effort calculation under specified circumstances; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

Status: In the House - First Reading Ways and Means

[Senate Bill 28](#)

Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund - Use of Funds

Introduced by: Senator Simonaire

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to be used only for nonpoint source pollution control projects except under specified circumstances; prohibiting the transfer of funds in the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund to the General Fund or a special fund of the State except under specified circumstances; submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection; etc.

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/03 at 2:00 p.m.

Senate Bill 30

Procurement - Veteran-Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation - Award of Contracts

Introduced by: Senator Peters

Requiring a unit awarding a contract with a specified expected goal of veteran-owned small business enterprise participation to award the contract in accordance with specified provisions of law to a specified bidder or offer or that meets or makes a good faith effort to meet the expected goals.

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.

Senate Bill 31

Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Military Retirement Income - Individuals at Least 65 Years Old

Introduced by: Senator Peters

Increasing the subtraction modification under the State income tax from \$5,000 to \$10,000 of military retirement income received for retirees at least 65 years old on the last day of the taxable year; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014; etc.

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/04 at 1:00 p.m.

Senate Bill 36

Stormwater Management - Watershed Protection and Restoration Program - Repeal

Introduced by: Senator Brochin

Repealing the requirement that, on or before July 1, 2013, a county or municipality subject to a specified municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee; etc.

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Senate Bill 40

Labor and Employment - Maryland Healthy Working Families Act

Introduced by: Senator Pugh

Requiring specified employers to provide employees with specified earned sick and safe leave; providing for the manner in which earned sick and safe leave is accrued by the employee and treated by the employer; requiring an employer to allow an employee to use earned sick and safe leave for specified purposes; requiring an employee, under specified circumstances, to request leave, notify the employer of specified information, and comply with specified procedures; etc.

Status: In the Senate - Hearing 2/03 at 1:00 p.m.

Senate Bill 41

Higher Education - Nancy Grasmick Teacher Award - Eligibility

Introduced by: Senator Ferguson

Authorizing specified public school teachers with specified degrees from specified out-of-state institutions of higher education to be eligible for a Nancy Grasmick Teacher Award under specified circumstances.

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Senate Bill 42

Stormwater Management - Watershed Protection and Restoration Program - Repeal

Introduced by: Senator Norman

Repealing the requirement that, on or before July 1, 2013, a county or municipality subject to a specified municipal stormwater permit adopt and implement laws or ordinances to establish a watershed protection and restoration program; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality maintain or administer a local watershed protection and restoration fund; repealing the requirement that a county or municipality establish and annually collect a stormwater remediation fee; etc.

Status: In the Senate - First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

For further information or to submit testimony on any of this legislation, contact Dan Furman at the Howard County Delegation office at 410-841-3360 or [**hoc1@mlis.state.md.us**](mailto:hoc1@mlis.state.md.us).

I encourage our residents to stay tuned in if these topics are of interest to you. As always, I hope you have found this information insightful, and I encourage you to share this newsletter with your neighbors.

All the best,



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"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved"

~ Mattie Stepanek